the Sitaram Spinning and Weaving Mills which is one of the factories which I have to inspect in my official capacity, and after that I proceeded to Kandassankadavu and Antikkad.

President.—He has got a right to inspect the Sitaram Mills in his official capacity.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—He visited it on an occasion when his services were required by a private man at Pushpagiri. That is my point.

President.—Do you mean to say that the officer went there for another duty?

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Can he claim T. A. on these occasions?

Diwan Bahadur Dr V. Verghese.—I went to the factory to inspect it in my official capacity.

President.—Did you attend to any other matter?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—Very well, Sir. That is generally being done.

President.—Can we expect anybody to do his office work alone day and night without taking care of his wife and children and without attending to other private affairs? It is an impossibility.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Suppose he was required for a private business, and in the course of that visit he visits a dispensary also, and then can he claim T. A.?

President.—The claiming of T. A. depends upon the conscience of the officer, when he goes for official work, and in the course of that attends to a private business. These are all matters which are left to the conscience of the officer. For instance, when I went to Palghat to attend to my son's marriage, I did not claim T. A., although I had a lot of official business to do.

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—Now, I will convince the Hon'ble Member that I went on a private business to Mala, and at the same time inspected the dispensary, and that I did not claim T. A. for that.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—He was wired for by a private patient from Pushpagiri. After attending on him, he visited the Sitaram Mills and signed in the visitor's book. I do not know whether he claimed T. A. Has he ever done like that?

President.—Why do you repeat that question? The available information has been supplied.

The inspection of sanitary works by the X-ray Expert.

169. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact—

(a) that the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer is reported to be deputing (his son) the X-ray Expert for inspection work of the rural Sanitary Inspectors;

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(b) whether any allowance is drawn therefor;

(c) whether he has received special sanction for so doing;

(d) whether any officer or officers are extended similar privileges?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—(a) No officer of the department is being deputed to inspect the work of the rural Sanitary Inspectors. In the year 1100, the Additional Civil Surgeon was deputed as a special case under unavoidable circumstances to check-measure completed sanitary work below Rs. 500 to avoid unnecessary delay in the payment of bills before the close of the official year.

(b) Yes. Ordinary travelling allowance allowed under the rules.

(c) Yes.

(d) The *Departmental Codes* authorise subordinate officers to check-measure works in certain specified cases. All other cases require the sanction of the Government.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—The Additional Civil Surgeon was deputed. May I know who that Additional Civil Surgeon is?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—Dr. Thariyan Verghese.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—To which place was he sent?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—He was sent to Mulanturuttu, Narakkal and other places.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—"Under unavoidable circumstances". What were the unavoidable circumstances?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—The Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer had to attend to some other urgent matters, and so he deputed the Additional Civil Surgeon, for which he had obtained the sanction of the Government.

President.—So you were not able to do it. Special sanction was obtained.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What were these unavoidable circumstances in 1100?

President.—Delay.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Then, should not this deputation be made of his assistants who were very near to these places?

President.—There is no Civil Surgeon there.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was he sent to Kunnamkulam for this purpose?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—It is only to very small places that he will be deputed where he can do it without detriment to his other duties.

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